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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REQUEST

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner return an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449, filed December 21, 2001, to the undersigned. A copy of the same was not received with the Office Action dated October 6, 2004.

The Examiner is requested to confirm the acceptance of the drawings filed with the application on December 21, 2001, or otherwise provide a specific objection or rejection of the same. The Office Action of October 6, 2004, is incomplete in this respect.

The Examiner is also requested to acknowledge the applicants claim for domestic and foreign priorities as the Office Action of October 6, 2004, does not include the same.

The Office is requested, pursuant to PCT Rule 17.2 to request a certified copy of the priority document from the International Bureau and confirm receipt of same to the undersigned.

The present Request is not being filed in response to the Office Action of October 6, 2004, however, as the above indicated and requested items have not been received from the Patent Office to date, the applicants believe it timely to make such a request at the present time.

Respectfully submitted,

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